

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Application Division  
 Michael LANGER et al ) ATTN: PCT  
 Serial No.: 10/089,253 ) Washington, D.C.  
 IA Filing Date: September 28, 2000 ) Date: MONDAY, August 26, 2002  
 For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A VENDING MACHINE AND CHARGING OF A DISPENSED ITEM OF MERCHANDISE

LATE SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION AND/OR TRANSLATION IN APPLICATION FILED UNDER 35 USC  
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HON. COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The present communication is in response to the "NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371..." dated June 25, 2002.

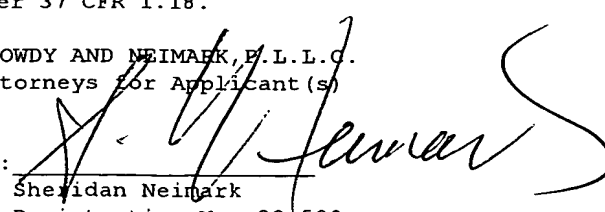
- [XX] Attached hereto is an executed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63, identifying the present application by title, filing date, priority information, and PCT information.
- [ ] Revocation of small entity status.
- [ ] Preliminary Amendment and Statements in Support of Filing and Submissions in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. '1.821-1.825, Sequence Listing (hardcopy), and computer-readable form of Sequence Listing.
- [ ] An Information Disclosure Statement with 1449 and references is also attached.
- [ ] A Preliminary Amendment
- [XX] An exact English language translation of the PCT application as originally filed along with an exact translation of the annexed pages attached to the IPER. (Note these pages are to be substituted for the original pages for examination).
- [XX] Corrected Application Data Sheet.
- [XX] Surcharge for late filing of English translation \$ 130.00
- [XX] Surcharge for late filing of the Declaration was paid on March 28, 2002.
- [ ] Surcharge for late filing of the Declaration in the amount of:
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| Small Entity | Other than Small Entity |
| [ ] \$65.00  | [ ] \$130.00            |
- [ ] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17 is calculated as shown below:
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| [ ] First - \$ 55.00        | [ ] First - \$ 110.00       |
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- [XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time:  
 If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.
- [XX] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed to cover the above fees.
- [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR 1.18.

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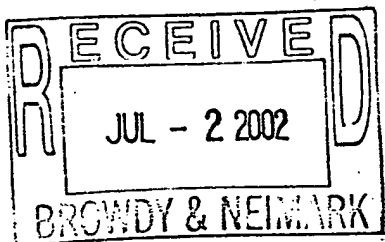


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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Request for Immediate Examination

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English.
- Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 for English translation surcharge required.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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